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**Part B for** March 2

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SUBJECT.

Grant of a mining lease to the V.N. Chidambaram Iyer & Mysore Hoffman Minerals Mining Co. over 1/8 sq mile and a P.L. over remaining area comprised in Prospecting block no. 499 in the Hole Narsipur Tk

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To Geol Dept Bangalore

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FILE HEADING.

Application of Mr V. W. Bruhmer of Mysore Kolar mineral mining Co. for a mining lease in respect of prospecting license No. 499 for mica Asbestos, magnesite & soapstone in Hole-narsipur taluk.

From The Director Genl. Dept

No. 1286 Dated 7.2.1922 Received 8-2-1922

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

As Mr Bruhmer has been making strenuous efforts to do good business, recommends the grant of a mining lease (for 30 years) in respect of area covered by prospecting license No. 499 the renewal of which was rejected in G.O. No. 10561 Genl 22-20 dt. 27.11.20.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Subd for orders.

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The application for a renewal of prospecting license No 499 was once before rejected by Mr Duncan vide G.O. No. 10561 Genl 22-20 dt. 27.11.20. The

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work turned out to be very poor. Now the Director recommends the grant of a mining lease over the area of one square mile which was included in the prospecting license. The recommendation is not quite consistent and the grant of a mining lease over an area exceeding 1/8 sq. mile can only be taken in exceptional circumstances.

2. Since however it is reported that the applicant is vigorously pushing on with the prospecting work. a further renewal of the prospecting license for one year may be granted or a mining lease over 1/8 sq. mile and a prospecting license over the remainder included in the block.

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and subject to the condition that an extent of land ~~to be determined~~ within 5 miles of the Railway line to be determined by the Dr. - shall not be operated upon.

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I agree to the proposal made in the office note. Subject to the proviso added by the Govt. Nothing more is indicated.

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Submitted with a draft as directed.

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Sanction the grant of the lease asked for and a prospecting licence ~~as recommended~~ over the remaining area of the block as certain conditions.

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No. 1288 Dated, Bangalore, 7/2/1922.

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From

B. JAYA RAM, Esquire, F.G.S.,
*Director, Mysore Geological Department.*

To

S. Hiriannaiya, Esq., M.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General Department, Bangalore

Sir,

I have the honor to invite a kind reference to your letter No.10561/Geol.22-20-11, dated 27th November 1920, directing, among other things, the rejection of Mr. V.N. Krishna Iyer's application for a renewal for a period of one year from 14th September 1920 of his prospecting license No.499 for Mica, Asbestos, Magnesite and Soapstone over a block of one square mile of land in the Hole Narsipur Taluk.

2. On the above orders being communicated to Mr. Krishna Iyer, he represented in his letter, dated 19th February 1921, that since he joined the concern in June 1920, "a regular and systematic study development of the area has been in progress" including the clearing of forest bushes and making the area suitable for exploration and prospecting and requested the grant of a mining lease over the entire area of one square mile of land comprised in the prospecting license. He also submitted a formal application, dated 19th February 1921, for the lease, a copy of which is submitted herewith for the information and orders of Government together with a copy of his letter referred to above.

3. Mr. Krishna Iyer was thereupon asked by me why an application for the lease was not submitted before the expiry of the prospecting license on the 14th September 1920, and his attention was also invited to the rules requiring that the area of a mining block should not ordinarily exceed one-eighth of a square mile. In reply he states that a further renewal was prayed for in the first instance as the block required further prospecting before the area to be taken under a mining lease could be accurately ascertained, and as he was also sure that the renewal would be sanctioned without difficulty as in the past, and that he wants a lease over the entire area of one square mile because he has been precluded from thoroughly prospecting the block and selecting only such portion of it as might be taken up under the lease and also because the occurrence and distribution of asbestos, mica and garnets are so uncertain and spasmodic that it is essential for good business that a large area should be tapped. Copies of his letters in the matter, dated 17th June and 14th November 1921, are also enclosed herewith for kind perusal.

4. Although the work done under the prospecting license during its last renewed term is poor, the special circumstances urged by Mr. Krishna Iyer appear to be reasonable and he also seems to have been making strenuous efforts to do good business. I beg to recommend, therefore, that the grant of a mining lease to him over the entire area of one square mile comprised in the prospecting license may kindly be sanctioned by Government.

5. The Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, who was addressed to ascertain if the area is free or subject to any restrictions other than those provided for in the form of lease, states that the "license" (apparently "lease") in question may be granted after reserving a reasonable margin of land on both the sides of the railway line which crosses the block. A reservation of this kind has already been duly provided for in Rule 4 of the Rules under the Mysore Mines

(Vide letter no. R.Dis 498/21-22 of 28th December 1921, copy of which is enclosed herein)

Regulations

Regulations and it would only be necessary to draw the applicant's attention to it.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B. Jaya Rao

Director,

Mysore Geological Department.

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Letter No.4325, dated 19th February 1921, from the Proprietor, The Mysore-Hassan Minerals Mining Co., Mysore, to the Director of Geology, Government of Mysore.

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Ref. Your Letter No.1115/Enc.2 of 4-1-1921.

We have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your above quoted letters with enclosures as stated,

P.L.No.479. We are extremely obliged for the renewal of this for a further period of one year. Please accept our special thanks for the kind permission you have given us to prospect for Garnets and ochres in addition to other minerals already sanctioned.

Renewal of P.L.474. We very much regret to note you have rejected our request for a further renewal. We beg to submit that this area when Mr.Krishnaier, our proprietor bought the concern remained quite unexplored and prospected owing to the very difficult nature of the area completely covered with tilled ground, and with unpenetratable forest bushes and it may be owing to this difficulty the exploration work of the then proprietors must have remained handicapped. But after the passing off the property to the present concern a regular and systematic study development of the area has been in progress, clearing forest bushes thus making the area penetratable for exploration and prospecting notwithstanding the heavy cost in accomplishing this. We have spent considerable amount on this property only to enable us better facilities for prospecting work. Had we been favoured with a further renewal, we could have peacefully applied for a Mining Lease. In fine to save us from the situation thus caused by your rejection, we have d c decided to take a Mining lease of the area and have accordingly remitted Rs.20/- to make up Rs.100/- the Application fee including Rs.80/- already remitted for the renewal of this Prospecting license. (Vide detail in the enclosed Treasury Challan Receipt). We

request

Letter No.1699, dated 17th June 1921, from Mr. V. N. Krishna Iyer, Proprietor, The Mysore-Hassan Minerals Mining Co. Kabbur, to the Director, Mysore Geological Department.

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In reply to your letter No.1699, dated 22nd April 1921, regarding my application for a mining lease over the Hiritalal block in the Hole Narsipur Taluk, I have the honor to state that a renewal of a prospecting license No.474 over that block required further prospecting before the area to be taken out under a mining lease could be accurately ascertained and secondly because I was certain that the Government would, in the usual way renew the license as they had done for several years in the past in respect of several licenses held by me and a host of other bodies. The rules also provide for renewals which have in almost all cases been sanctioned up-to-date and I had not even a shadow of doubt that the present license would not be renewed. As however the Government have refused to renew the license and as I have thereby been precluded thoroughly from prospecting the block and selecting such portion of it as might be actually taken up under a mining lease I have been compelled to apply for a mining lease over the entire area of one mile land.

With regard to the work done on the block, I beg to state that since I took possession of the block a considerable amount of careful exploration and prospecting work has been done and a number of good deposits of asbestos and chrome ore located in certain portions of the block. The asbestos deposits are good in quality but their extent still require to be determined after further prospecting. The chrome ore found appears to be of a rather low grade. Samples of this were sent to your office long ago for analysis but the results have not yet been received from you. Several experimental tests

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have also been made with the asbestos obtained from the block in order to ascertain their suitability for the manufacture of mill boards and the results are very encouraging notwithstanding that the methods and apparatus employed were rather crude. As our attention was devoted mostly to the location of deposits of asbestos, only small quantities of asbestos were extracted from different places for purpose of sampling and testing and I beg that simply because a large quantity was not extracted it may not be concluded that little work was done.

In conclusion I beg that this mining lease may be granted to me at a very early date and that until it is granted I may kindly be permitted to resume prospecting work with the license renewed as originally applied for.

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Director,

Mysore Geological Department.

Letter No.A 3, dated 14th November 1921, from Mr. V. N. Krishna Iyer, Proprietor, The Mysore-Hassan Minerals Mining Co. Cox Town, Bangalore, to the Director, Mysore Geological Deptt.

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With reference to your letter No.512 of 6-10-1921 regarding the mining lease applied for by me over the block of one square mile held at present under prospecting license No.474 in the Hole Narsipur Taluk, I have the honor to state that the lease over the entire area of one square mile is very necessary as the occurrence and distribution of asbestos, mica and garnets are as you are aware so uncertain and spasmodic that for any good business being done in any of these minerals it is essential that a number of square miles of land should be tapped.

You have been kind enough to relax the restriction in a few previous instances and I beg that you may be kind enough to grant me a mining lease over the entire area of one square mile already held by me under the prospecting license.

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B. Jagannath

Director

Mysore Geological Department.

Letter No.R.O.C.498/21-22, dated 28th December 1921, from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, to the Director, Mysore Geological Department.

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With reference to your letter No.597, dated 26th October 1921, requesting to be informed whether the area applied for by Mr. V. Krishnier for mining purposes in Hole Narsipur Taluk may be granted for mining purposes, I have the honour to forward herewith a file of papers endong with Hole Narsipur Sub Division Officer's No.R.O.C. 211-21/H.C. dated 22nd December 1921. It is learnt from the Amildar's report in the file that the license in question may be granted after reserving a reasonable margin of land on both sides of the Railway line which crosses S.Nos. referred to in the enclosed plan connected with the license.

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Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

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**FORM No. 5.**

APPLICATION FOR A MINING LEASE.

*Dated the* 19th *day of* February 1921.

To

THE DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY,

BANGALORE.

SIR,

I have the honor to apply for the grant of a mining lease to the Hiritalal Block P.L. No. 474 for thirty years under the rules contained in Notification No. G. 25838—Geol. 57-18-20, dated 12th May 1920 over the block of land containing one square mile or more acres marked on the enclosed extract from the Topographical Survey Map of Mysore.
Village maps of the Revenue Survey.

The block applied for comprises lands belonging to the villages, the names of which with the taluk and district to which each belongs, are set out in Schedule A hereto.

I enclose receipt from the Mysore Treasury for Rs. 100, the fee required in respect of this application. D.M.G. 62.

The minerals in respect of which the lease is applied for are stated in Schedule B hereto.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sd) V. N. Krishna Iyer,
The Mysore-Hassan Mineral Mining Co

Name and address of applicant.
(Write legibly)
V. N. Krishnaier
Mysore.

## SCHEDULE A.

Village.* Hiritalal, Rangenhalli, Dodkadanur, etc., Taluk. Holenarsipur District. Hassan

* State after the name of village, if whole or part only.

## SCHEDULE B.

Minerals in respect of which the application is made.

Asbestos, Soapstone, Mica & Garnet.

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for DIRECTOR,
Mysore Geological Department.

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SUBJECT.....

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 11.3.22

Signed by M.S.A

Section Geol

File No. 16-21

Serial No 13.

No. 4857

To

The Director, Dept of Geology

Sir,

With reference to your letter no 1288 dt 7-2-22, regarding the application received from Mr. V.V. Krishna Iyer, Proprietor of the Mysore-Hassan Minerals Mining Co for the grant of a mining lease over one sq mile of land comprised in ~~Prospecting~~ block no 449 in the Holenarsipur Taluk, I am directed to convey the sanction of Govt to the grant of a mining lease over 1/8 sq mile of land and a prospecting licence

over.

P.T.O.

over the remaining area included in the block subject to the condition that an extent of land on either side of the railway line to be ~~opened~~ determined by the deputy commissioner shall not be operated upon.

Thanks etc

*List of enclosures.*

*Copied by*

*Examined by*